

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow.

Status of Claims:

No claims are currently being added or cancelled.

Claims 9 and 10 are currently being amended.

This amendment amends claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claims remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

After amending the claims as set forth above, claims 1-10 are now pending in this application.

Indication of Allowable Subject Matter:

Applicant appreciates the indication in the Quayle Action that claims 1-8 are allowed, as well as the indication that claims 9 and 10 would be allowed if amended to overcome the objections to those claims.

Objection to Disclosure:

On page 2 of the Quayle Action, the disclosure (specification) is objected to, but no reasons are given for that objection. It is believed that this objection to the disclosure was intended to be directed to the Abstract.

Objection to the Abstract:

On page 2 of the Quayle Action, the Abstract was objected to because it was too long. By way of this amendment and reply, a new Abstract is being submitted, which is within the 150-word limit. Also, a marked-up version of the Abstract is being submitted, to show the changes made.

Objection to Claims 9 and 10:

In the Quayle Action, claims 9 and 10 were objected to because of informalities noted on page 2 of the Quayle Action. By way of this amendment and reply, claims 9 and 10 have been amended to overcome these objections, whereby some of the amendments made to these claims are different from the proposed changes provided in the Quayle Action.

Conclusion:

Since all of the issues raised in the Quayle Action have been addressed in this Amendment and Reply, Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance, and an early indication of allowance is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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